

PUBLIC NOTICE

US Army Corps of Engineers Rock Island District

Applicant: Dallas County, Iowa

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Section 404

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Joint Public Notice US Army Corps of Engineers Iowa Department of Natural Resources

- 1. Applicant. Dallas County, Iowa, 415 River Street, Adel, Iowa 50003.
- 2. Project Location. Section 20, Township 78 North, Range 27 West, Dallas County, Iowa; on the Raccoon River.
- 3. Project Description. To install jetties and riprap along the shoreline of the Raccoon River. The purpose of the project is to prevent further bankline erosion. A maximum of 5 jetties will be installed along approximately 500 feet of eroding shoreline and will be a maximum of 60 feet in length. Riprap will be used to armor the shoreline between the jetties. Minor bank shaping will be required to achieve a more stable slope prior to installing the jetties and riprap.
- 4. Agency Review.
- a. Department of the Army, Corps of Engineers. The Department of the Army application is being processed under the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344).
- b. State of lowa. The project plans have been submitted to the lowa Department of Natural Resources for state certification of the proposed work in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act. The certification, if issued, will express the Department's opinion that the proposed activity will comply with lowa's water quality standards (Chapter 61 IAC). The applicant has also applied for authorization of work in the floodplain pursuant to Chapter 455B of the lowa Code and other applicable state permits. Written comments concerning possible impacts to waters of lowa should be addressed to: lowa Department of Natural Resources, 900 East Grand Avenue, Des Moines, lowa 50319. A copy of the comments should be provided to the Corps of Engineers office (see paragraph 11. of this public notice for address).
- 5. Historical/Archaeological. The Office of the State Archaeologist of Iowa conducted a site file search for this project. One previously located archaeological site (Site No. 13DA12) is within or directly adjacent to the permit area. Based upon the nature and location of this project which is for reshaping the bank face and placing rip rap to protect a county road, the Corps has determined that this permit area has significant potential to contain historic properties that may be eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). The Corps will require the applicant to submit two (2) copies of a Phase I archaeological survey and geomorphological evaluation report covering the entire permit area, including all access and staging areas for equipment and materials which must be identified clearly on a map yet to be provided by the permit applicant. If site 13DA12, or other potentially NRHP-eligible sites, are within the permit area (area of potential effect), the applicant will in addition to the Phase I archaeological survey be required to have conducted a Phase II test excavation to evaluate the site's(s') eligibility for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.
- 6. Endangered Species. District staff have performed a preliminary review of this application for the potential impact on threatened or endangered species pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act as amended. Our preliminary determination is that the proposed activity is not likely to adversely affect any listed species or critical habitat. Therefore, no formal consultation has been initiated with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service at this time. However, this preliminary determination is subject to change should further information become available.

- 7. Dredge/Fill Material Guidelines. The evaluation of the impact of the proposed activity on the public interest will also include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator of the United States Environmental Protection Agency under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act (40 CFR Part 230).
- 8. Public Interest Review. The decision whether to issue the Corps permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food production and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.
- 9. Who Should Reply. The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity. These statements should be submitted on or before the expiration date specified at the top of page 1. These statements should bear upon the adequacy of plans and suitability of locations and should, if appropriate, suggest any changes considered desirable.
- 10. Public Hearing Requests. Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in this notice, that a public hearing be held to consider this application. Requests for public hearings shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing. A request may be denied if substantive reasons for holding a hearing are not provided.
- 11. Reply to the Corps. Comments concerning the Corps permit should be addressed to the District Engineer, US Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District, ATTN: OD-P, Clock Tower Building Post Office Box 2004, Rock Island, Illinois 61204-2004.

 Mr. Jon Klingman (309/794-5329) may be contacted for additional information.

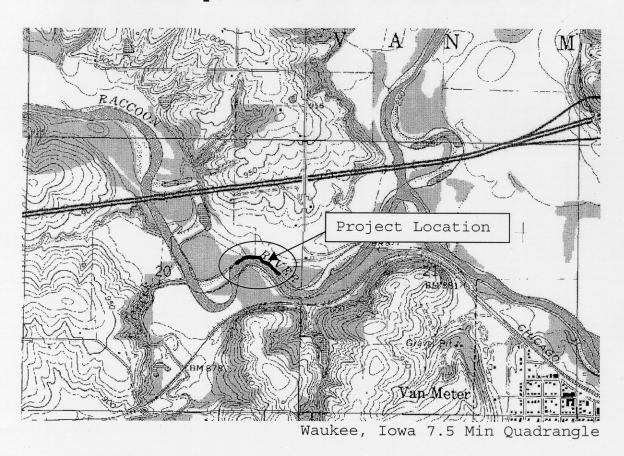
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